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Hiroshi KITADA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/839,221

EXAMINER: KANG, PAUL H

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APPLICATION OF PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1308.01 MPEP

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Sir:

The above-identified application was withdrawn from Issue after payment of the Issue Fee in the amount of \$1700.00 (Issue Fee \$1400.00 + Pub. Fee \$300.00).

The application has now been allowed again and since a refund of the previously paid Issue Fee has not been requested, it is now requested that the previously paid Issue Fee be applied to the Issue Fee being paid herewith. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the Petition Granted.

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DECISION GRANTING PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2)

This is a decision on the petition, filed March 29, 2006, under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on March 15, 2006 in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance. 1

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3218.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 2141 for processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and for consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Part B-Fee(s) Transmittal Form (along with any balance due at the time of submission), which includes the following language thereon: "The Director of the USPTO is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or to re-apply any previously paid issue fee in the application identified above. Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form must be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).